

# WHAT'S UP, DACC?

MAY 2021



## PET LICENSE AMNESTY PROGRAM

The Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) is waiving late fees for renewed or new pet licenses paid for by June 30th by pet owners in unincorporated areas and participating cities within Los Angeles County (Agoura Hills, Azusa, Bell, Carson, Hidden Hills, Inglewood, Irwindale, La Habra Heights, Malibu, Maywood, Monterey Park, Palos Verdes Estates, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Walnut, and Whittier). These pet owners will also be eligible for a free microchip for their licensed pet, redeemable at any County Animal Care Center.

The amnesty program and free microchip incentive will allow more pet owners to maintain compliance with pet licensing and microchip mandates despite the economic downturn brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. Pet licensing, rabies vaccinations, and microchipping ensure public health and quicker return of lost animals while providing revenue to support animal care and control operations.

For more information on this offer, [click here](#).

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## ACO APPRECIATION WEEK

BY DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, MARCIA MAYEDA

The Department celebrated our Animal Control Officers (ACO) during National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week, which is held every year during the second full week in April. ACOs do so much to help people and animals in our communities. ACOs ensure animal wellbeing, public safety, rabies and licensing compliance, return stray animals to their owners in the field, respond to emergencies, participate in large scale multi-day investigations, and help people solve their problems with animals. They are also mandated reporters of child abuse, elder abuse, and dependent adult abuse.

Over the past year, the COVID-19 pandemic has made ACO work even more challenging, but our team has pushed through to continue to be present and effective whenever needed while following all safety protocols. DACC saw an unprecedented decline in animals admitted to our Animal Care Centers (ACCs), thanks in no small part to our ACOs' dedication to customer service and the new practices of Managed Intake. This year also brought its share of other emergencies such as the Lake Fire and the Bobcat Fire, and our ACOs responded without hesitation as always, following all COVID guidelines and providing an exemplary response. To all DACC ACOs: you are on the front lines of our work and do such a great job serving the people and animals in our communities! I am proud to be your director.

LA COUNTY ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

# May the 4th Be with You

For the month of May 2021, adopt  
an adult cat or kitten in need of a  
home for only

\$4.00

at any Los Angeles County  
Animal Care Center

Includes adoption, vaccination,  
spay/neuter and microchip fees.

Trust and license fees not  
included.





# Newly Renamed "PetcoLove" Foundation Invests in Lifesaving Work of DACC

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## Grant of \$75,000 will help save more pets in Los Angeles County



The Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation has applied for and received a \$75,000 grant from Petco Love (formerly the Petco Foundation) to continue to support DACC's lifesaving work for animals and pet owners in Los Angeles County. The funds will be used to increase adoptions across our seven animal care centers through new marketing, promotions, and reduced adoption fees. The grant will also be used to assist pet owners with free pet food, supplies, and other resources such as medical care or temporary boarding to help allow people to keep their pets no matter what challenges they face. This kind of support is a critical need as the pandemic has left many pet owners in our communities struggling to care for their pets.

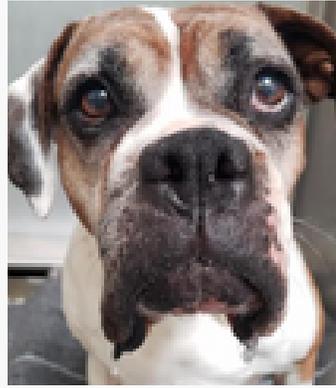
"Today Petco Love announces an investment in the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation and hundreds of other organizations as part of our commitment to create a future in which no pet is unnecessarily euthanized," said Susanne Kogut, President of Petco Love, on April 15.

The Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control through fundraising for animal lifesaving programs, serving the communities of Los Angeles County.

For more information about the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation, visit [lacountyanimals.org](http://lacountyanimals.org), and visit <http://www.petcofoundation.org/> to learn more about Petco Love.



Petco Love is a nonprofit leading change for pets nationally by harnessing the power of love to make communities and pet families closer, stronger, and healthier. Since their founding in 1999 as the Petco Foundation, they've empowered organizations with nearly \$300 million in adoption and other lifesaving efforts, helping to find loving homes for more than 6.5 million pets.



# APRIL ADOPTIONS

- # 524 DOGS
- # 395 CATS
- # 167 OTHER ANIMALS

1,086 ADOPTED IN APRIL!

**SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT  
TO ADOPT TODAY!**

**VISIT  
HERE!**

# MAY NEWS



## WORLD VETERINARY DAY

DACC celebrated our veterinary staff on April 26th in honor of World Veterinary Day. We are grateful for their contributions. They provide excellent medical care during the pandemic and always! Don't forget to thank your local veterinarian not just on World Vet Day, but every day!



FIND AN ANIMAL CARE CENTER NEAR YOU!

### Baldwin Park:

4275 N. Elton Street  
Baldwin Park, CA 91706  
baldwinpark@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Carson/Gardena:

216 W. Victoria Street  
Gardena, CA 90248  
carson@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Downey:

11258 S. Garfield Ave.  
Downey, CA 90242  
downeyctaip@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Castaic:

31044 N. Charlie Canyon Rd.  
Castaic, CA 91384  
castaic@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Agoura:

29525 Agoura Road  
Agoura Hills, CA 91303  
agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Lancaster:

5210 W. Avenue I  
Lancaster, CA 93536  
acclancaster@animalcare.lacounty.gov

### Palmdale:

38550 Sierra Highway  
Palmdale, CA 93550  
palmdale@animalcare.lacounty.gov

Interested in Fostering?  
Click [HERE!](#)

Licensing Questions?  
Call: (562) 345-0400  
Email: [licensing@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:licensing@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

Interested in Volunteering?  
Click [HERE!](#)

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

DACC is beyond grateful for the amazing work our volunteers do to support our mission and values. We thank you for your service! For more information on volunteering, [click here!](#)



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Want the latest news and stories from around our Animal Care Centers? Follow us on social media at the handles below!



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After this month, WUD will be shifting to a quarterly newsletter! This will allow us time to gather and share the most impactful stories from our animal care centers. Stay tuned for our next issue in August!

